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## FOR A CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION.

The Chicago Eagle calls on all good citizens to fight for a new State Constitution. The Citizens' Association voices our sentiments when it says:

"It is universally admitted that the present Constitution of Illinois, adopted forty-three years ago, has long been outgrown; and that the slow and difficult process required to amend it has for many years seriously retarded the progress of the people of the State by depriving them of the power to properly meet new governmental needs arising from the changed conditions. The accumulated evils arising from this situation have now become so numerous and acute that adequate relief can be obtained only by revising the Constitution in such a way that it will cease to be a hindrance to good government. Such necessary reforms as the abolition of the system of minority representation in the Legislature; revision of the taxation system; consolidation of local governing and taxing bodies; and reduction in the number of elective officers can only be secured without intolerable delay by modernizing the State Constitution. Adequate powers of home rule for Chicago can also best be secured by this State-wide method.

"For forty years proposed amendments have killed each other off. One-third of the membership of either house has been able effectually to block any desired change in the Constitution. The irksome restrictions imposed by the present Constitution bear down upon Chicago with almost crushing force. Because of them Chicago is compelled to maintain, at a vast unnecessary expense, three separate and distinct governmental bodies covering practically the same territory; viz: the City, County and Sanitary District. In our opinion the time is ripe now for holding a Constitutional Convention in Illinois as the best means of affording adequate relief to the people of the City and State. At the next session of the Legislature we will do everything in our power to bring about the calling of such a Convention, which this Association has favored for many years."

## EAGLETS.

The Legislature will be asked to pass a comprehensive civil service law for Cook county. On Tuesday a committee representing the Cook county board of commissioners and the Cook county civil service commission left for Springfield to present to the house and senate a bill for civil service in Cook county. This committee, appointed by President Reinberg, is composed of Civil Service Commissioners Melville G. Holding, Hugo L. Pitte and Ralph L. Peck and County Commissioners William H. MacLean, George A. Miller, Daniel Moriarty, Dudley D. Pierson and Joseph Fitzgerald.

The proposed act has been indorsed and recommended by the board of county commissioners, which authorized President Reinberg to name a committee to go to Springfield in the interests of the proposed legislation.

United States Senator James Hamilton Lewis says that Chicago and the west have come into their own in the consideration given their needs at Washington, and big local projects, including the deep waterway and the government breakwater, will go ahead as rapidly as local preparations for them will permit.

Senator Lewis declared the makeup of the new federal trade commission is particularly satisfactory to him. Chairman Edwin N. Hurley is his particular appointee from Chicago, he said. Messrs. Parry of Washington and Harris of Georgia, personal friends of his, are broadminded and able men, and are disposed to be friendly to Chicago, he said. He also praised Frederic A. Delano of Chicago, who is serving as vice governor of the national reserve bank board.

"We have twelve other important

A. R. MARRIOTT,  
Vice-President of the Chicago Title & Trust Company.

places, two assistant secretaries of cabinet and two foreign ministers being among the number," said Senator Lewis. The ministers are Ira Nelson Morris, minister to Sweden, and Charles J. Vopicka, minister to the Balkans.

Former Judge R. W. Clifford who made an excellent record on the circuit bench, is talked of for one of the Democratic nominations this spring.

There seems to be some fee-ling in that claim of Dr. Young.

Judge Henry Horner of the Probate Court has issued an order which is expected to increase materially the tax revenue of Cook county, facilitate the work of the taxing bodies and relieve the state's attorney of tedious and vexatious details.

This order requires that before an attorney be permitted to close an estate, he be required to file with the Probate court receipts for the payment of all taxes due or surety for the payment of taxes not yet due.

Reports have been made to Jacob Lindheimer, assistant county treasurer, that many estates have escaped the payment of taxes by being distributed before taxing authorities discovered the county had something coming. After distribution, no collections could be made. On receiving this report, Mr. Lindheimer went before Judge Horner and urged a remedy, with the result of the order for the filing of receipts.

John A. Cervinka, clerk of the Probate Court, has sent out the following notice to the public:

The records of the office of the Clerk of the Probate Court of Cook County, show thousands of unsettled estates covering a period of more than twenty five years past. This is contrary to law and they should be settled and closed at once. It may appear that many persons entitled to distribution have not received their shares and interests in such estates.

The law requires that accounts showing the administration of estates be presented for settlement at the first term of the Probate Court after the expiration of one year after the date of the issue of Letters. The Statutes further provide that the Probate Court shall enforce the settlements of estates within the time prescribed by law.

It is the intention and purpose of this office to make a determined effort to close every one of such estates.

All Administrators, Executors, Guardians, Conservators, Sureties, Attorneys, etc., in such estates found on the records of this office on or prior to July 1, 1915, will be notified and directed to see to it that the particular

estate in which they are interested is closed at the next term of the Probate Court following such notice. If the parties notified do not comply with such notice, citation will at once issue against them.

This office is now checking up all estates pending prior to July 1, 1915, back over a period of 25 years, and notices will be sent out accordingly. All means at the command of this office and of the Probate Court of Cook County, will be used to compel the closing of all such estates.

At the Switzer headquarters in Hotel Sherman a statement was issued in which it was stated a united party will work to obtain a big additional registration on March 16, next Tuesday.

"Mr. Switzer will put the finishing touches to democratic harmony," reads the statement. "There really is little left for the candidate himself to do in the way of harmonizing the elements that were opposed at the primaries at which Mr. Switzer was nominated by 79,186 plurality. Practically all of the Harrison leaders and the great majority of the Harrison rank and file have expressed themselves as loyal to the party and determined to support the democratic ticket. The meeting of the Harrison wing of the Cook County Democracy on Monday night was proof conclusive of the attitude of the rank and file in the Harrison ranks."

"The majority of the Dunne men supported Mr. Switzer in the primaries in spite of the attitude of their leaders who were with Mayor Harrison. Since the primaries both Gov. Dunne and Senator James Hamilton Lewis, the real leaders of the Dunne men, have announced their intention of doing all they can to elect Mr. Switzer. The Dunne ward leaders are also lining up for Mr. Switzer. They plan to maintain the organizations they have formed, but to have these organizations co-operate with the Switzer clubs in the various wards."

Judge Hugh J. Kearns has made a fine record on the municipal bench.

Judge Edward Osgood Brown of the Circuit Court deserves re-nomination on his record.

Judge John P. McGoorty has made a good record on the Circuit bench.

Thomas F. Scully will make a good record as county judge.

Judge D. E. Sullivan has made an honest, dignified and able record on the bench.

Vote for Edward F. Cullerton for alderman of the Eleventh ward.

EDWARD F. CULLERTON,  
Able and Honest Alderman Who Deserves Re-election in the Eleventh Ward.WHO IS WHO  
NOW

## HE FEEDS THE SOLDIERS



Adjutant Netter, a French-American from New York, has been promoted for the military medal and promotion to rank of lieutenant. He has been on duty day and night for several months at Nolsy, one of the most important military supply and ammunition stations in France, assisting Colonel Bellenger, the military commissioner of the station at Nolsy. His functions are numerous, but he accomplishes all with a smile that won't wear off. He has been assisting several thousand employees, civilians and soldiers by his wonderful stamina and hustling for more than three months.

Adjutant Netter is well known in the states as former secretary of the Geneva White Cross society and assistant to Dr. Harvey W. Wiley in the international pure food agitation. The first thing he did on arriving at Nolsy was to build kitchens for the purpose of supplying hot soup and nourishing food to all troops passing through. More than 100,000 soldiers of France have been fed by these kitchens, which are working day and night. English troops passing through Nolsy get special attention from Adjutant Netter. He always has tea, toast and crackers ready for them, also English tobacco and cigarettes, and even English and American newspapers. Those who met Adjutant Netter in New York—he was a well-known figure there—will not be surprised at the success of his hustling powers, but how he has managed to do twenty hours' work a day for three months is a mystery to all in Paris. He does not expect to get a rest until the war is over. In fact, he is the nearest thing to perpetual motion ever seen in France.

## COLONEL HODGES' NEW JOB

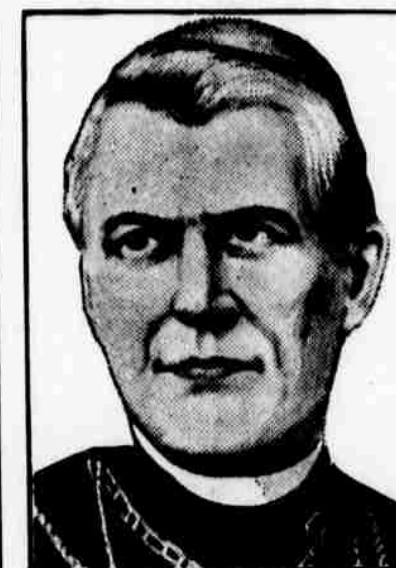
In accordance with orders issued by General Kingman, chief of engineers, Col. Harry F. Hodges, for several years engineer of maintenance of the Panama canal, has assumed charge of the District of Columbia water supply system and all river and harbor works in that vicinity, including the reclamation of the Anacostia river and flats.

Colonel Hodges was born in Massachusetts February 25, 1860, and is a graduate of the United States Military academy, class of June, 1881, standing fourth in his class. After serving on staff duties and at Willets point, to May, 1885, he was inspector of rifle practice for the battalion of engineers, and was on duty at Creedmoor during a part of the time.

Among other duties he was employed at the United States Military academy as assistant professor of civil and military engineering, and on various works of river and harbor improvement, surveys, etc. He reached the grade of captain in 1893, and during the war with Spain served as lieutenant colonel and colonel of the First United States volunteer engineers.

In Porto Rico that regiment was engaged in making roads and surveys, constructing defensive works, a reservoir and refrigerating plants, repairs masonry, timber bridges, etc. Colonel Hodges subsequently was in charge of certain river improvements in Ohio, West Virginia and Kentucky. He also was, among other duties, chief engineer officer, department of Cuba, in 1901-02; was in charge of the purchasing department, Isthmian canal commission, and also general purchasing officer in 1907. He was a delegate to the tenth international navigation congress at Milan, Italy, in 1905. He was on duty at Culebra, Canal zone, Panama, as assistant chief engineer, in charge of designs of locks, dams and regulating works, Isthmian canal, from July 15, 1908, to November, 1914. He also is a member of the permanent international commission of the congress of navigation.

## HEAD OF THE JESUITS



Very Rev. Wlodimir Ledochowski, who has just been elected general of the Society of Jesus, comes of an illustrious Polish family, which gave to the Catholic church in the past century the courageous Mielchlas Halka Cardinal Ledochowski, who suffered imprisonment during the Bismarckian persecution in Germany, because he refused to side with the iron chancellor in his treatment of the inhabitants of Poland.

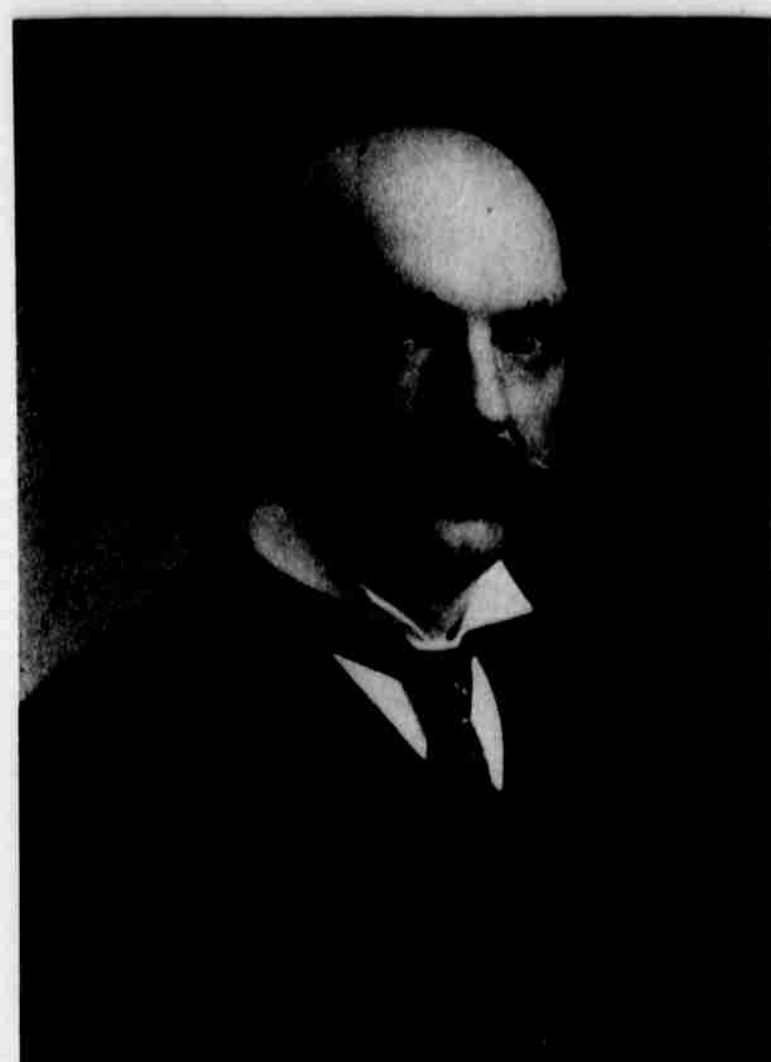
Wlodimir, in Polish Wlodzimierz, is the eldest son of the late Anthony Halka von Ledochow Count Ledochowski, a famous cavalry officer in the Austrian army, and of the Countess Josephina zu Sallis-Zizers. He was born on the family estates near Cracow in 1866, received a fine education and entered the Society of Jesus at the age of twenty-three. His progress was steady, and in 1901, on the day when he pronounced the last vows of the society, he was made vice-provincial of Poland. Less than a year later he was installed as full provincial. In 1906, when Francis Xavier Wernz was elected general of the society, Ledochowski was given a place in his cabinet as assistant for Germany.

The new general is not only an able theologian and canonist, but he is also an accomplished linguist, speaking in addition to his native language, French, German, Italian and Spanish. His broad experience and his successful administration of affairs have made him universally esteemed, not only within the order, but also in the other ecclesiastical circles of Rome.

## GREAT TRADE EXPERT

Sir Richard Crawford, whom Great Britain has sent to America as commercial adviser to its embassy in Washington, has been for a long time in the government service as one of its most trusted and able representatives, ranking as a minister. He was made a knight commander of St. Michael and St. George in 1911. He was a commissioner of customs for seven years before that, and since then he has been adviser to the Turkish minister of finance. He was born in 1863, and was married in 1894 to Augusta, the only daughter of the late Col. A. D. D. Lestrangle.

Being considered one of England's most accomplished trade experts, Sir Richard was the natural choice of his government when it was found desirable to send to Washington a man who could handle skillfully and tactfully the many problems of commerce and shipping which are arising in connection with the war and the attempts of Great Britain and Germany to isolate each other. Sir Richard is acting in co-operation with Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, the British ambassador, to whose suggestions his appointment is due.

THEODORE BRENTANO,  
Who Deserves Re-election to the Superior Bench.

## EAGLETS.

John R. Ford, the chief deputy collector of customs, is a most efficient aid to Collector McNeill.

George R. Walker the well-known Republican lawyer who worked so hard for William Hale Thompson's nomination for mayor, is talked of for Circuit Judge.

August C. Reinhardt of Webster avenue and Burling street has a fine business and a host of friends.

John F. Clare has thousands of friends who would like to see him elected judge.

William J. O'Brien, former senator and alderman, is making a wonderful success in his theatrical business.

Thomas J. Webb is respected in business and public life. He is an ideal member of the Board of Review.

The Jackson Cafeteria, 141 W. Jackson boulevard, combines all the qualifications of a first-class restaurant. No wonder it is popular.

Illinois never had a better United States Senator than Albert J. Hopkins.

Q. J. Chott, the well known lawyer, who made a good record on the justice bench, would make a good Municipal Judge.

Harry L. Shaver, the able lawyer, who made a good record in the legislature is talked of for Circuit Judge.

Justin F. McCarthy, the popular Assistant Corporation Counsel, is making a fine public record.

James Maher, the popular lawyer, who has frequently refused to become a candidate for the bench, has built up a large practice.

Judge Edward Osgood Brown, who has made a splendid record on the Circuit bench and who is now one of the associate Justices of the Appellate Court, will be re-nominated as he ought to be on his record.

One of the very best Aldermen in the City Council, is Edward F. Cullerton. He has been longest in the public service of any member of the City Council and his usefulness to the people has been demonstrated over and over again.

Trustee James M. Dailey of the Sanitary District always looks after the interests of the people.

Sidney Adler, the well known lawyer, is in the front rank of boomers of his native city—Chicago.

Judge Adol J. Pettit has made a good record on the Circuit bench.

William F. Quinn, "the father of Edgewater," has a host of friends all over Chicago.

Jacob F. Rehm is the leader of the State Board of Agriculture.

Judge Joseph Sabath would make a good Circuit Judge.

Judge Edward Osgood Brown would be a valuable addition to the Federal bench.

Frank J. Hogan, the popular and well-known lawyer, would make a fine Municipal Judge.

J. V. O'Donnell, the popular master-in-chancery and able lawyer, would make a good judge of the circuit court. His many friends are urging him to become a candidate at the election next June.

Joseph Z. Uhlir has made a good judge.

Judge John J. Rooney grows in popularity every day.

Judge Joseph Sabath is a good Municipal magistrate.

Both as a judge and a citizen John R. Caverly is liked by everybody who knows him.

Alderman H. D. Capitain is always hustling for the advancement of the city's interests.

Peter Reinberg is the right man in the right place as president of the county board.

More diseases are produced by using brown and perfumed soaps than by anything else. Why run such terrible risks when you know DOBBINS' ELECTRIC SOAP is pure and perfect. Dobbins' prevents hands from chapping.—Adv.

EDWARD OSGOOD BROWN,  
Who Deserves Re-election to the Circuit Bench.